

### REMARKS

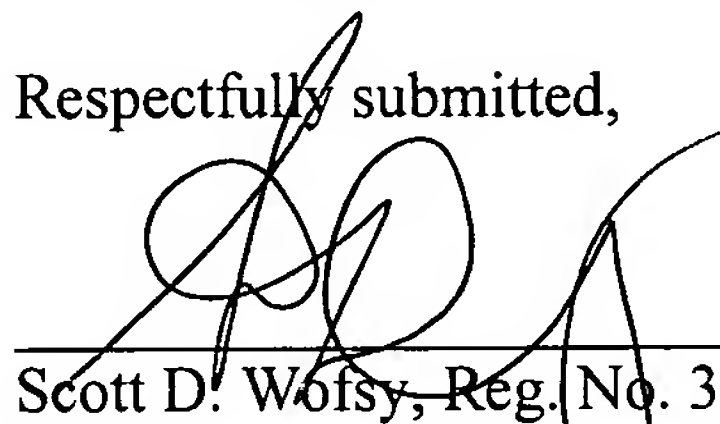
The subject application claims priority to an earlier filed International Patent Application No. PCT/EP2004/006495 filed June 16, 2004, based upon an earlier filed German Utility Model Application No. 203 09 513.8 filed June 18, 2003.

Claims 1-8 are pending in the subject application. By this preliminary amendment, original claims 1-8 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies, and in general, to place the claims in condition for examination.

No new matter has been presented by these amendments. Early and favorable consideration of the subject application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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